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TAGS OVIP (CARTER, JIMMY), PGOV BR US
SUBJECT: BRIEFING MATERIALS FOR PRESIDENT CARTER'S VISIT TO
BRAZIL

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FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTED POINTS FOR INCLUSION IN PRESIDENT'S REMARKS
FOR JOINT SESSION OF BRAZILIAN CONGRESS. DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL
THAT A SUGGESTED TEXT FOR PRESIDENT'S US WAS SUBMITTED LAST OCTOBER
IN 77, BRASILIA 8246. SPEECHWRITERS MAY WISH TO REFER TO THAT
TEXT AS WELL.

1. INTRODUCTION

IT IS A PLEASURE FOR PRESIDENT, WHOSE POLITICAL ROOTS ARE IN GEORGIA
LEGISLATURE TO ADDRESS LEGISLATIVE BODY WHOSE LEADERSHIP HE
VISITED SIX YEARS AGO.

- A FUNCTIONING CONGRESS, TRULY RESPONSIBLE TO ELECTORATE, IS
STRONGEST BULWARK OF DEMOCRACY.

- PRESIDENT'S VISIT IS CONCRETE EVIDENCE USG NO LONGER RELIES
SOLELY ON OLDER, INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS IN SEEKING GLOBAL STABILITY.

- US SEEKS TO REINFORCE TIES, MAINTAIN OPEN COMMUNICATION AND
RESPOND TO ASPIRATIONS OF OTHER TRADITIONAL FRIENDS LIKE BRAZIL,
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WITH WHOM WE SHARE COMMON GOALS AND OBJECTIVES.

- US SEEKS TO STRENGTHEN BILATERAL RELATIONS THROUGH DIALOGUE
ON ALL ISSUES.

- US ALSO BELIEVES HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP DERIVES FROM CANDID
DISCUSSION OF DIFFERENCES AND SINCERE EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THEM IN

ATMOSPHERE OF MUTUAL RESPECT, FRIENDSHIP AND RECOGNITION OF SHARED RESPONSIBILITY.

3. DRAWING ON ITS TRADITIONS, US REAFFIRMS ITS COMMITMENT TO PROMOTING HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONTROLLING NUCLEAR WEAPONS ON A WORLD-WIDE BASIS.

- US BELIEVES SANCTITY OF INDIVIDUAL, GOVERNMENT NOT MASTER BUT SERVANT OF PEOPLE, AND SECURITY OF ENVIRONMENT ARE BASIC TENETS APPLICABLE TO ALL NATIONS AND PEOPLES.

- US POLICIES THUS NOT AIMED AT ANY ONE COUNTRY OR SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT.

4. US COMMITMENT TO HUMAN RIGHTS BASED ON FIRM BELIEF THAT, AS MARTIN LUTHER KING SAID, "AN INJUSTICE ANYWHERE IS A THREAT TO JUSTICE EVERYWHERE."

- US SUPPORTS PHYSICAL SANCTITY OF INDIVIDUAL, BUT ALSO HIS NEED FOR FOOD, SHELTER, EDUCATION AND HEALTH, AND ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN DECISIONS THAT AFFECT HIS LIFE.

- US DOES NOT WANT TO IMPOSE ITS BELIEFS ON OTHERS, BUT WANTS TO SHARE ITS EXPERIENCES TO ACHIEVE JUST AND NOBLE ENDS.

5. IT IS IRONIC THAT TECHNOLOGY THAT IMPROVES MAN'S QUALITY OF LIFE CAN ALSO DESTROY MANKIND LONG BEFORE THAT POTENTIAL MAY BE REALIZED.

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6. WE MUST FRANKLY ACKNOWLEDGE DIFFERENCES THAT HAVE EXISTED BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES ON THESE TWO ISSUES.

-THESE DIFFERENCES CAN YIELD TO AMICABLE SOLUTION ARE ARE NOT PERMANENTLY DIVISIVE.

- US RECOGNIZES BRAZIL'S NEED TO PROGRESS SO THAT INCREASING NUMBERS OF PEOPLE CAN PARTAKE EQUITABLY OF BRAZIL'S DEVELOPMENT.

- US IS SYMPATHETIC TO BRAZILIAN ENERGY REQUIREMENTS AND NEED TO DEVELOP NEW ENERGY SOURCES, ESPECIALLY IN NUCLEAR FIELD.

- US ACKNOWLEDGES, APPLAUDS AND SUPPORTS BRAZIL'S THRUST FOR INDEPENDENT GREATNESS.

7. IN MEETING THESE ASPIRATIONS

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USG ASKS THAT BRAZIL RECOGNIZE THE CONCERNS OF OTHERS THAT:

- ON THE WAY TO DEVELOPMENT, INTEGRITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL BE PROTECTED

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- ALONG THE WAY TO ENERGY SELF-SUFFICIENCY, PROSPECT OF FURTHER
NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION BE ALLAYED.

- ALONG THE WAY TO BRAZIL'S DESTINY, IT MUST ASSUME RESPONSIBILITIES
IN KEEPING WITH ITS GROWING INFLUENCE IN THE WORLD.

8. THESE MATTERS ARE GERMANE TO STRENGTHENING OUR TRADITIONAL
RELATIONSHIP.

- THEY ARISE FROM COMMON OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN A
WORLD IN WHICH NO NATION CAN EVER BE TRULY INDEPENDENT.

- WORLD HAS WITNESSED SIGNIFICANT ADVANCES IN THE PROTECTION OF
THE INDIVIDUAL AND TOWARDS FULFILLMENT OF HIS ASPIRATIONS, YET
WE MUST GO FURTHER.

- AS DE TOQUEVILLE SAID, " DEMOCRATIC NATIONS CARE LITTLE FOR WHAT
HAS BEEN, BUT THEY ARE HAUNTED BY VISIONS OF WHAT WILL BE; IN THIS
DIRECTION THEIR UNBOUNDED IMAGINATION GROWS AND DILATES BEYOND
ALL MEASURE."

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- THESE VISIONS CAN BE OF A SPIRALING ARMS RACE, NUCLEAR PROLIFERATIO
N,
HUNGER AND WIDENING DISPARITY BETWEEN RICH AND POOR, OR OF A
WORLD FREE FROM THESE DREAD SPECTERS.

9. WE HAVE BECOME A GLOBAL COMMUNITY, FACING COMMON PROBLEMS AND SHARING A COMMON FUTURE.

- POWER TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS NO LONGER LIES WITH A FEW NATIONS.

- WE MUST RESPECT DIFFERENCES, BUT WITH ALL DUE RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY, WE MUST EXPAND OUR COMMON GROUND.

- THIS IS NOT ROMANTIC REALISM, IT IS STARKEST REALITY.

10. BEFORE END OF THIS CENTURY, A SCORE OF NATIONS COULD POSSESS NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

- AS ARMAMENTS GROW, TEMPTATION TO USE THEM, OR THE FEAR SOMEONE ELSE WILL, GROWS TOO.

- IT THIS THREAT WE MUST CNFRTON.

- MODERATION AND RESTRAINT MUST BECOME THE DOMINANT CHARACTERISTICS OF OUR AGE.

- FOR UNLESS WE MEET THIS THREAT, WORLD'S DREAMS FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT, FREEDOM AND DIGNITY WILL BECOME MEANINGLESS.

11. BEYOND THIS, WE MUST BE CONFIDENT THAT DEMOCRACY'S EXAMPLE IS COMPELLING.

- FAITH MUST BE RENEWED IN HUMAN FREEDOM.
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- AS LINCOLN SAID, " OUR RELIANCE IS IN THE LOVE OF LIBERTY WHICH GOD HAS PLANTED IN US. OUR DEFENSE IS IN THE SPIRIT WHICH PRIZED LIBERTY AS THE HERITAGE OF ALL MEN, IN ALL LANDS EVERYWHERE."

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